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Study offers plan of action

Those at risk need solutions

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

The United Way of Greater St. Louis and the Tri-Cities Area United Way are certain at-risk children can be helped.

By applying the proper solutions and strategies, the Tri-Cities area can overcome the serious issues of need for positive youth activities, substance abuse,

child abuse and family violence.

The United Way of Greater St. Louis and the Tri-Cities Area United Way developed the Planning Tool Kit for Health and Human Service Delivery in the Tri-Cities Area as the first step in meeting the needs of strictly local people.

"It's a planning kit (that) poses some practical ways to solve problems," said Jan Quarton, executive director.

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Grants slated for 2 area libraries

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

The Madison and Venice libraries are receiving more than \$60,000 in grants from the Illinois Secretary of State's Office.

The grants are two of nearly \$3.4 million in "Live & Learn" construction grants awarded to 50 Illinois libraries.

The Venice Public

Library, 325 Broadway, received \$34,250 to comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act.

"We're very happy about it," said Librarian Charlyn Woods.

"We have to make a ramp outside for wheelchair accessibility, and the bathrooms have to be made accessible," she said.

There also will be work on the front door and installing a handicapped-accessible

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MAN FETED BY VFW IS NO 'ORDINARY JOE'



Joe Berg of Collinsville has been named the 1997-98 Man of the Year The Collinsville resident, a member of Post 5691, received his honor June 26 during a state convention. Just prior to the award, Berg said he was reading the evening's program. Seconds later, the speaker had his full attention.

Berg posts honor

He's Man of the Year

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

There are 97,800 members from 428 Veterans of Foreign Wars posts in Illinois. But only one can be Man of the Year. For 1997-98, it's Joe Berg.

The Collinsville resident, a member of Post 5691, received his honor June 26 during a state convention. Just prior to the award, Berg said he was reading the evening's program. Seconds later, the speaker had his full attention.

"My wife said when they called my name, I jerked my head straight up," Berg recalled. "I told them that I'm normally not at a loss for words, but they better give me a second or two."

Berg's name appears on a piece of shiny brass that was recently added to the long, wooden "Man of the Year" plaque. Berg said that's all the recognition he needs.

He said that "wow" was the only thing he could think when the announcement was made.

With that many people, there's got to be somebody worthier than I, so it's still mind-boggling to me," Berg

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Madison hauls in savings

Partnership will save \$7.5 million, officials say

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

An agreement between the city of Madison and Waste Management Inc. will be worth \$7.5 million to the city over the next 12 years.

The agreement, approved by the City Council Tuesday, gives the city free municipal waste dumping — worth an estimated \$7.5 million over the next 30 years. The company, which owns both the Milam and Chain of Rocks landfills, will be allowed to remove dirt for use at the landfills from a 119-acre site north of the Milam Landfill.

The agreement is good for the life of either of the landfills — whichever is in operation longest — plus one year. The agreement could remain in force for as long as 50 years, city

officials said.

The city will also retain the right to develop the property after the soil is removed.

"It's a very long-term agreement," said City Attorney Casper Nighobossian.

The council also approved a public hearing on a pre-annexation agreement with Klenstra Concrete Co.

The property is located in the former village of National City and is the latest in a series of annexations by Madison in that area.

The hearing is set for 6:30 p.m. July 14 in the city hall.

Klenstra is one of several property owners in the area filing objections to Fairmont City's plans to annex approximately 700 acres in the

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John Hamm
Madison mayor

Appropriations hearing scheduled for July 14

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

A public hearing on a \$5.5 million appropriations ordinance for the city of Madison has been

set for July 14. The hearing was approved at the City Council's meeting Tuesday.

The appropriations ordinance sets the legal spending limit for the city and covers the fiscal year from May 1, 1998, to April 30, 1999.

Appropriations, which have not been totally finalized, will total more than \$5.5 million and are more than twice the amount of income the city expects to receive. However, the city normally appropriates more than it expects to spend — either in case of emergency or to take advantage of any unexpected windfalls.

The largest appropriations are for police — \$771,130; fire department — \$383,350; streets and sewers — \$781,275; refuse collection — \$216,760; the tax

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Department airing 'aggressive' teen campaign

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Helping teens make responsible health decisions and abstain from high-risk activities like unprotected sex is the focus of a new public awareness campaign funded by the Illinois Department of Public Health.

The program, "Respect Your Mind, Protect Your Body," includes a series of radio ads that began airing Wednesday on several local radio stations and will run through September. It is part of an

Program touts abstinence from irresponsible activities

ongoing effort to increase Illinois adolescents' awareness of the risk of AIDS/HIV, sexually transmitted diseases and unintended pregnancies.

"We'd like to empower teens with ways to handle sticky situations," said Beth Richman, a representative for the program. "We want to give them

knowledge on how to behave properly."

According to information from IDPH, as of June 1998, a total of 5,495 cases of HIV infections have been reported in Illinois residents aged 20-29 — a group likely to have contracted the virus at adolescence. It also said 9,498 cases of chlamydia, 4,981 cases of gonorrhea and 106 cases of syphilis were reported last year in teens aged 10-19.

"This is a new tactic and this is the most aggressive," Richman said. "We

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Letter to the editor

Those on "Indy" should be honored

TO THE EDITOR:
The story in the Granite City Press-Record about the sinking of the Navy Ship USS Indianapolis, a heavy cruiser that was sunk by a Japanese submarine in the Pacific Theatre of World War II, was timely and nostalgic. The demise of this great Navy Ship took down more than 850 American sailors, two from the Granite City area, Morgan Guenther and Joe Consiglio. Delores Cavins, sister of Morgan Guenther, is circulating petitions that are being presented to Congressman Jerry Costello's office under H.R. Bill 3719. The bill would exonerate Captain McVay of the "Indy" from any wrongdoing and would have a presidential citation given to the crew of this magnificent ship, which participated in 10 battles in World War II. Friends of Cavins are assisting her in this drive

for petitions. Jodi Weidner, a Granite City resident, is the daughter of Joe Consiglio, who went down with the "Indy."

Hollywood is in the process of making a movie of the disaster titled "Abandon Ship," starring Kevin Costner as the captain. It will take eight months to make. The timing of this film follows the recent disaster movie "Titanic," which drew tremendous response from the public.

It seems appropriate to have a film of the "Indy." Both films about these great ships bring to mind the great loss of life that perhaps could have been prevented.

From July 29, 1999, to Aug. 2, 1999, in Indianapolis, a reunion will be held for survivors of the "Indy," and their families, friends and guests. The event will pay tribute to the sailors who did not make it and thank the survivors.

STEVE KONKOVICH
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Sound Off!

To call the Journal "Sound Off!" line, dial 277-8322 and leave your message. We won't print personal attacks or unfair criticism of individuals or businesses. Please keep your comments brief and reasonable.

Noise ruins graduation

I am calling in regards to the Marie Schaefer Junior High School graduation. I have a child who graduated on May 28. We couldn't hear the commencement because of how loud the people were and the speakers weren't speaking loud enough. I went to the police officer and asked him if he could ask them if they could please keep it under control. The crowd was very disorderly and very rude. Two elderly couples left. They couldn't hear the names. I think when it's time for graduation, the crowd should keep it down and have consideration for other people.

Wrong bridge cited

In Sound Off, someone talked about the state and federal money given to Venice to repair the Eads Bridge. That is the McKinley Bridge, not the Eads Bridge.



Capitol facts

Grass-roots campaign might improve TV coverage

Let's get the civic duty stuff out of the way first: Don't rely on the TV for your news. I probably don't have to tell you this. People who read newspaper columns are generally less inclined to get most of their news from the television sets.

Unfortunately, the great majority depend on local TV news broadcasts for most or all of the news that they consume every day. As scary as that is, the reality probably won't change anytime soon, so rather than just complain about it, some people are trying to nudge the nudge TV stations into improving themselves.

There's a reform group out of Washington, D.C., that's planning to spend \$3.7 million in 10 states, including Illinois, to encourage local TV news broadcasters to start covering politics again.

Politics has almost disappeared from local news in the past decade. People just aren't all that interested in politics anymore. And profit-hungry TV stations are desperate to prevent viewers from using their remote control — maybe to catch a few minutes of True Disasters Caught on Tape, or whatever that show is, before turning back to check the weather forecast and the day's sports scores.

The best known way of keeping you from using your clicker is to pander. You don't want politics? No problem. You'd rather see stories on health and fires and crimes and car crashes and celebrities and scandals and natural disaster and cute pets, not necessarily in that order? You



Rich Miller

got it. Most TV stations are making money by the truckload, but you'd think that bankruptcy was just around the corner by how they try to squeeze every last ratings point out of their local newscasts.

When politics is covered in depth — beyond the one or two sentences that politics stories usually receive — it's most often done in a way that moves ratings. Scandal stories with visuals are sure-fire ratings winners. So the most intensely covered story on TV news during the just-passed governor's primary race was when a videotape was leaked to a Chicago TV station of Roland Burris calling his three Caucasian opponents "non-qualified white boys."

After that visually documented racial scandal faded away, so did news coverage of the campaign.

One idea the reform group has come up with is to convince the stations to air mini-debates every week. The five-minute debates on single issues would be embedded in local news programs.

Five minutes may not sound like a lot of time for two candidates to talk about

"Most television news directors answer to corporate conglomerates — headquartered in far-off cities — whose interest is quarterly profit growth."

important issues of the days, but it's infinitely more than what's being aired right now.

The group, the Alliance for Better Campaigns, also wants to encourage the stations to pick apart campaign advertisements. Because TV rarely covers political news, too many voters are relying almost solely on ads for their information about candidates.

The TV people owe it to their viewers to explain what is and isn't true in the ads that often air during the same program.

Will this reform plan work? The alliance maintains that there is no reason why stations can't use some creative energy to make political coverage more interesting to viewers. But so far, the group has received nothing but cold shoulders from the TV guys.

Gee, there's a surprise. One of the people behind this effort in Illinois is former U.S. Sen. Paul Simon. Simon was

able to convince the Illinois legislature to pass a campaign reform bill this spring. Maybe he can use his powers of persuasion on the state's television executives.

Don't bet on it, though. Most television news directors answer to corporate conglomerates — headquartered in far-off cities — whose interest is quarterly profit growth. Those people probably don't care what Simon says.

They may listen to their viewers, though. If you get a chance, drop them a line to tell them how you feel about these ideas or others you might have. Maybe they can be shamed into doing what's right.

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Service honors former resident killed in Grenada

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

It will be 15 years in October since Capt. Keith Lucas of Granite City was killed by enemy fire in Grenada.

Lucas was hit while piloting his helicopter into the mountainous area of Richmond Hill Prison during the 1983 invasion and rescue of Americans on the Caribbean island.

Lucas was the brother of Brian Lucas, who works at Heidtman Steel, and the son of Maryville resident Stan Lucas and the father of Anne and Theresa Lucas of Belleville.

On May 27, the Lucas family was the guest at Fort Campbell, Ky., for a Memorial Day service during which Keith Lucas was honored. Members of the Lucas family, including Paula Lucas Kaigh, unveiled a brass plaque that will be installed in Lucas Hall, a new airfield building bearing Lucas's name.

The building houses the offices of the 160th Special Operations Regiment (Airborne's) engineer, psychologist and adjutant general as well as a computer

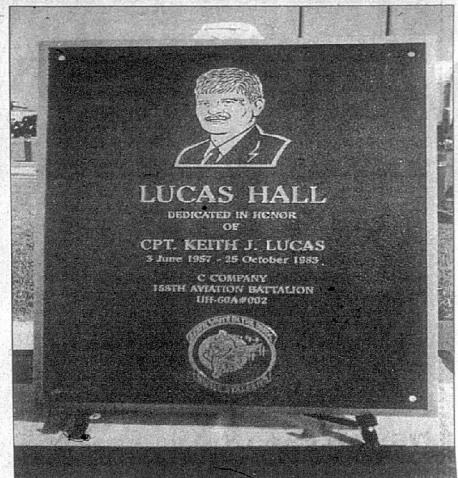


Above, those attending a service honoring Capt. Keith Lucas included, from left, Ailee Lucas, Anne Lucas, Paula Lucas Kaigh, Theresa Lucas, Brian Lucas and Stan Lucas. At right, a brass plaque will be installed in Lucas Hall, a new airfield building bearing Lucas's name.

training facility for the regiment. The ceremony for Memorial Day and the dedication of the building included special

music; a color guard; remarks by the commander of the 160th, Col. Howard W. Yellen; a helicopter Missing Man formation; and a ceremony

during which a wreath was laid at a monument dedicated to the members of the 160th the Night Stalkers — who have died.



IP asks commission to curb 'market power abuses'

By Becky Vollmer
Staff writer

Illinois Power on Tuesday said it would ask a federal regulatory agency to limit the price power companies can charge other utilities during a crisis like the one that hit the Midwest last week.

The company plans to file a petition with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, asking it to curb "market power abuses in the electric supply marketplace," said IP vice president Rich Eimer.

The complaint stems from the widespread electricity shortage in the Midwest that left nearly tapped-out power companies struggling to buy more power from other utilities. Because of the extreme demand, the price of electricity soared.

Eimer said IP was forced to pay as much as \$3,000 per megawatt-hour for the much-needed power, more than dou-

ble what the company has paid in past emergency situations. An industry watchdog group put the cost even higher at about \$6,000 per megawatt-hour, or 60 times the rate at which Illinois Power sells it to its residential customers.

An energy commission spokesperson said the utility's complaint had not been filed as of late Tuesday. After it is received, the panel will look at it and evaluate whether any action is warranted, the spokesperson said.

Meanwhile, a different group of utility companies has petitioned the energy commission to convene an emergency conference to "examine the underlying circumstances surrounding the electricity market in the Midwest during the week of June 22 through the present."

The group, which includes Midwest utility companies ranging from Ohio to Kansas, asserts in a petition that broken power generators, coupled with an

extended period of hot and humid weather, drove demand to high levels and made the supply relatively scarce.

That forced the price of electricity to "unprecedented" levels, 30 times higher than prices seen at this time last year, the petition states.

Rich Connor, IP's regional manager in Maryville, said before the company was able to procure power from other sources, the company had positioned people in the field who were prepared to shut some circuits down.

"That's how close it was," he said. "We were just monitoring hour to hour. We had to reach out farther, as did other utilities, than we normally would."

Many power customers — accustomed to the simple flick of a switch to light a room or power a stove — generally don't think of electricity as a commodity. The head of a utility watchdog group says that way of thinking should change.

Guest staff grace emergency room

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

Something changed in the emergency room at Anderson Hospital in Maryville Wednesday.

On weeknights and weekends a pediatrician is now on staff through the Glennon Care for Kids program. It marks the first time that Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital has made its services available to a hospital outside both Missouri and the Sisters of St. Mary's Health System.

"We're not here 24 hours," said Dr. Max Burgdorf, medical director of Glennon Care Pediatric Associates. A total of four Cardinal Glennon pediatricians will work in the outreach program at Anderson, staffing it from 4 p.m. to midnight weekdays and from noon to 10 p.m. weekends.

In addition to pediatric care, the four doctors also have "specialties" which include infectious diseases, hematology and oncology, Burgdorf said. Such care has been available in St. Louis hospitals for 20 years, he added.

Officials stressed that the doctors are not there to take on new patients and will be working in the emergency room only. This is the fifth hospital to offer the program, Burgdorf said. It is aimed at "bringing pediatric expertise into the communities where kids live."

And in Maryville, the number is growing. Linda Robert, director of emergency services at Anderson, said that the hospital has gone from treating 1,800 ER patients per month 18 months ago to treating about 2,100 per month.

now. Of that number, 22 to 25 percent are pediatric cases, she said.

Robert said that the July 1 kick-off of the program also marked the beginning of the busiest time of year for injuries to children.

"It's summer, kids are out of school, they are at the pool and they have more cuts, bruises and lacerations," said Dr. Chris Cruz, director of Anderson's emergency room. Cruz said that the family pediatrician is still a vital part of a child's care.

"This is not meant to replace your primary care physician, only to provide services after hours," Cruz said. Dr. Angela Bard, president of Anderson's medical staff, agreed. She said that the program helps get children seen faster than in a normal emergency room and doesn't require waiting overnight to see their own doctor.

"It's a win-win-win situation," Bard said. "It's a win for parents, it's a win for physicians and it's a win for the hospital."

The addition of the Glennon services are a continuation of Anderson's expanding emergency room. A 6,200-square-foot addition opened last December. Seven treatment rooms were among space added, two of which will be used for the pediatric program.

The pediatric rooms feature a special border representing children of all ethnic backgrounds. Robert said Cardinal Glennon has the same design throughout its hospital. Each of the rooms also has a television.

"It will help with the stress level hopefully," Robert said.

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Obituaries

Donald Bernaix

DONALD E. BERNAIX, 64, of Granite City died Wednesday, July 1, 1998, at his residence.

Mr. Bernaix was born March 9, 1934, in Granite City. He was retired from the U.S. Air Force as a lineman. During the Air Force, he was builder on Cape Kennedy and served during the Korean War.

Survivors include his wife, Gerine (Cox) Bernaix; two sons, Michael and Keith Bernaix, both of Granite City; two daughters, Vicki Roberts and Robin Ezell, both of Granite City; four brothers, James and Carl Bernaix, both of Granite City; Leonard Bernaix of Kampsville and Walter Bernaix of Marietta; and Trevor Bernaix, all of Granite City.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Irma (Hodshire) Bernaix.

Services were Friday, July 3, at Werner Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Les Atkins officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Edwardsville, with full military honors.

Memorials may be made to the Shriner's Hospital.

Charles Jones

CHARLES R. JONES, 75, of Granite City died July 30, 1998, at Rosewood Care Center in Edwardsville.

Mr. Jones was born Feb. 27, 1923, in Granite City. He served as an elder at the First Presbyterian Church in Granite City. He was a U.S. Navy Air World War II veteran and received the Presidential Citation.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothea (Mathews) Jones; three daughters, Sherri Druck of Ladue, Mo.; Sheila "Butty" Schum of Edwardsville; and Shelly Halderman of Granite City; seven grandchildren; and one grandson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Anthony and Leona (Doty) Norn.

Services were Friday, July 3, at the First Presbyterian Church in Granite City with the Rev. Lewis Trotter officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials may be made to the

American Parkinson Disease Association or the Jewish Family and Children Services.

Robert Maddox

ROBERT A. MADDOX, 76, of Fort Collins, Colo., formerly of Granite City, died Tuesday, June 30, 1998, at his residence.

Mr. Maddox was born Nov. 24, 1921, in Ashton, Idaho. He was a retired automobile dealer and worked as a construction inspector in Colorado. He served the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II and received the Oak Leaf Cluster and the Purple Heart. His B-17 was downed over Germany, and he was a prisoner of war for 15 months.

He was a member of the Plymouth Congregational Church.

Survivors include his wife, Maxine Maddox; one son, Robert Maddox of Tucson, Ariz.; three daughters, Janet Romer of South Elgin, Joan Rhodes of Fort Collins, Colo., and Phyllis Nunnally of Bakersfield, Calif.; 10 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Glenn and Rhea Wood Maddox; and one brother, Ben Maddox.

Private services were held. Reager Funeral Home and Crematory handled the arrangements.

Mary Ridgeway

MARY EILEEN (YOUNG) RIDGEWAY, 74, of Granite City died Monday, June 29, 1998, in St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City after an illness of a few years.

Mrs. Ridgeway was born July 20, 1923, in Granite City.

Survivors include her daughters, Earline Robinson and Jacki Gubser, both of Granite City; one son, Floyd "Butch" Ridgeway Jr. of St. Charles, Mo.; one sister, Pauline Wadlow of Granite City; three grandchildren, Tiffany Gubser of Granite City, Joseph Robinson of Granite City and Joshua Ridge-



way of St. Charles; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Floyd Ridgeway Sr.; her parents, Thomas and Dolly (Gregory) Young; two brothers, Earl Young and Thomas Young; and one sister, Garlie Matyas.

Services were Thursday, July 2, at Thomas Mortuary in Granite City with the Rev. Finian McMul-

lin officiating. Burial will be in Lakeview Memorial Gardens in Fairview Heights.

Memorials may be made to the Heart and Cancer Association.

Jack Smith

JACK R. SMITH, 68, of Granite City died Tuesday, June 30, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Mr. Smith was born March 24, 1930, in Granite City. He was a retired truck driver for M.C. Slater Trucking Co. and a member of the Masonic Triple Lodge 635, Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Southern Illinois, Ainal Shrine Temple, Tri-City Shrine Club of Granite City and Brotherhood of Teamsters. He was a U.S. Navy veteran.

Survivors include two nephews and one niece.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth (Horton) Smith; parents, Harry and Jessie (Truett) Smith; one brother, Harry; and one sister, Fran.

Services were Friday, July 3, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City with the Rev. Henry Crippen officiating. Burial will be in St. John Cemetery in Granite City.

Memorials may be made to the Shriner's Hospital.

The Press-Record/Journal will publish obituaries up to two weeks following the funeral services. Although most obituaries are received from local funeral homes, obituary notices can be sent to the newspaper at: Granite City Press-Record/Journal, 1815 Delmar, Granite City, IL 62040.

Please notify the paper if a person listed in Milestones has passed away or no longer wishes to be listed.



Holiday fun

At top, from left, Carolyn Clark, 14, Jennifer Melson, 13, and Jessica James, 11, all of Granite City, get an early start Wednesday evening on the first night of the Patriots in the Park celebration. Middle, Dillon Hare of Granite City checks out the McDonald's race car ride at Patriots in the Park. Above left, Melanye Weinhofer works in the Santa's Holiday Avenue booth in Wilson Park. Above right, Debbie Ming works in the Mexican Honorary Commission booth.

Milestones

Melanie Skoklo celebrates a birthday today, July 5.

Kimberly Kester celebrates a birthday today, July 5.

Eleanor Rynkowski celebrates a birthday today, July 5.

Frank Leon Hollenback III celebrates a birthday today, July 5.

Mona "Penny" Bryant celebrates a birthday today, July 5.

Josh Hildebrand celebrates a birthday today, July 5.

Tony Kohn celebrates a birthday today, July 6.

Kelly and Kimberly Mann celebrate their wedding anniversary July 6.

Chris Shields celebrates a birthday July 6.

Leonard J. Koliste cele-

brates a birthday July 7.

Twila and Steve Ross celebrate their wedding anniversary July 8.

Frank and Judy Modrusic celebrate their wedding anniversary July 8.

Kellie Evans celebrates a birthday July 9.

James Dennis Jr. celebrates a birthday July 9.

Peggy Brown celebrates a birthday July 9.

Sarah Garriott celebrates a birthday July 9.

Maria Bruzatis celebrates a birthday July 10.

Steve and Karen Cavins celebrate their wedding anniversary July 10.

Jodi Gehrig celebrates a birthday July 10.

Deanna Jones celebrates a birthday July 10.

Noah Michael Ostresh celebrates a birthday July 10.

Ricky Joe Collison Jr. celebrates a birthday July 11.

Ralph W. Baker celebrates a birthday July 11.

Virginia Kittel celebrates a birthday July 11.

Lee and Tisha Sloan celebrate their wedding anniversary July 11.

Kathy Brockman celebrates a birthday July 11.

To submit an item to Milestones or delete an entry, send a postcard to "Milestones," Granite City Journal, 1815 Delmar Ave., Granite City, IL 62040.

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Organization installs 1998-99 officers at June meeting

During the June meeting of the Christian Women's Fellowship of Central Christian Church, the officers for 1998-99 were installed by Joyce Bennington, who also presented the theme for the new year and led the worship.

The new officers are: President Betty Elbrecht; Vice President Helen Stumpe;

Secretary Joyce Miller; Treasurer Dorothea Rivenburgh; Study Director Myra Parrish; Worship Director Lois Biltrey; Service Director Betty Johnson; Reading Chairman Guyla Stuart;

Publicity Chairman Ernestine Hahn; Hospitality Chairmen Mary Lee Lutton, Jo Stephens and Anna Osborne; and

representative Doris Edwards; and

Nominating Committee members Lois Biltrey, Joyce Miller and Lena Seitzer.

The three groups of the Christian Women's Fellowship put together 29 health kits for Church World Service.

The next meeting will be 1 p.m. Aug. 6.

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Study offers many solutions

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of the Tri-Cities United Way. The study will help the United Way to better allocate money for needed programs, she said, in the upcoming fiscal year 1999 and beyond. The data is already in the hands of the Tri-Cities' Funds Allocation Committee.

The Tool Kit is the first such tightly focused compilation of data the United Way has conducted in the Tri-Cities area. The United Way used several different methods of collecting information to ensure they came up with a comprehensive picture of the Tri-Cities area. The five problem areas identified as the most serious were at-risk children, the need for positive youth activities, substance abuse, child abuse and family violence.

The Tool Kit points out several strategies that have already proven effective for at-risk kids area wide. They include:

- A healthy family life curriculum in schools for all grades, pre-kindergarten through high school;
- Healthy child development programs, such as the Unite Way's Success By 6 Initiative, Head Start and Parents as Teachers;

- Conflict resolution training in churches and work;
- Positive activities for boys and girls, such as the Boy and Girl Scouts and Boys and Girls Clubs;

- Formal partnership agreements among service providers to pool resources, share information and offer services through non-traditional sites.

Providing positive activities would go a long way toward reducing youths falling at school or dropping out, teen pregnancy, substance abuse and violence. The youths most at risk, the study says, are those from low-income families, ones already having school problems or are lacking positive role models.

The best practice solutions include after-school programs and recreational activities that use existing school facilities; scholarships to allow participation in the YMCA and parks and recreation programs; adult mentoring for youths; and volunteer opportunities at various senior centers, child care centers, social services and recreation programs.

Part three of this series, in Wednesday's Journal, will examine local agencies that are already providing positive outlets for at-risk children.



Students represented Frohardt School in the "Picture the Music" contest. The program, offered through the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, has students listen to a classical selection and draw a picture of what they "see." The contest is open to all St. Louis area parochial and private schools. From left are Kelli Comer, Megan Hammond, Holly Lupardus, Sabra Tanksley and Joseph Warchol.

Grants awarded to Metro East libraries

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The Madison library received \$34,282. Part of that will go toward making the bathrooms handicapped accessible, said Library Director Dawn Davis.

The grant will also pay for the installation of a new circulation desk and other improvements.

Both grant proposals were

written by Kay Rudolph. Rudolph is the secretary of Casper Nighohossian, who serves as city attorney for both municipalities.

"With these grants, libraries throughout Illinois can expand their technology labs, study centers, meeting rooms and learning centers," said Secretary of State George Ryan, who serves as state librarian.

"This money will allow them to continue offering the best services available to people of all ages."

"This is the sixth year my office has funded library construction through the 'Live & Learn' program," Ryan said. "It is a program that works, and we will make these funds available so that communities can offer children a place to study after school and for

people to learn, be entertained and kept up to date on world events."

This is the second year the grant program included "mini-grants" awarded to libraries for small construction projects costing no more than \$35,000. Unlike the conventional grants, the 32 mini-grants awarded this year do not require local matching funds.

Berg posts honor

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said, "I do feel honored to have been chosen by my peers."

As the VFW's state public relations director, Berg is used to giving honors. Part of his yearly duties is to hand out checks to 16 of his fellow members, four from each of the state's four regions. But when it came time for the VFW to honor him, Berg was a little unprepared.

When it came time to speak, rather than risk leaving anyone out, Berg acknowledged only Lorraine Berg, his wife of 48 years. The Bergs have four children and eight grandchildren.

Lorraine Berg is active in the Auxiliary and that has given her the chance to travel with her husband to about four conferences a year. He said she has always been supportive of his busy lifestyle.

Berg said the honor is based not only on accomplishments within the organization, of which he is plenty, but also outside. Between veteran and

church posts, Berg has held as many as seven elected and/or appointed positions at one time.

In the local VFW, he is chaplain, public relations chairman and takes care of insurance. He is also a district chairman in addition to his state post.

He was post commander three times, each time earning all-state status, the group's highest honor. He also served on the budget finance committee at the state level and on three different national committees.

"It's a real challenge and a lot of fun," Berg said of his VFW work.

Berg recently stepped down after seven years as president of the Holy Cross Lutheran Church Board, of which he is now treasurer and in charge of a \$1.3-million budget.

When he isn't performing VFW or church duties, Berg works at Dave Croft Motors, where he is the business manager.

Campaign hopes to deter irresponsibility

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hope to lower the incidents of HIV/AIDS and STDs, and also lower the number of unintended pregnancies in this state."

The main component of the program is a series of scenarios that will air as radio ads on selected stations across the state. The ads focus on real-life situations that put teens at risk.

Common themes in the ads are: It is

OK not to have sex, it's not OK to have unprotected sex; teens face many social pressures, but can make responsible decisions that will keep them safe; using drugs or alcohol can create situations that put teens at risk; teens are at risk if they have contact with another person's bodily fluids; each time a teen has sex with a new person, they are at risk, and serial monogamy doesn't protect them; and teens can minimize risks by choosing responsible actions.

The program also includes

supplemental brochures and posters in public places accessible to teens. It will also include the IDPI AIDS/HIV and STD hotline 1-800-243-2437, where teens can receive more information. The hotline is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Locally, the ads will air on KJMJ-FM, 104.9; KPNT-FM 105.7; and KSLZ-FM, 107.7.

Partnership offers savings

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area. That plan was dismissed by a St. Clair County judge Wednesday at the request of Fairmont City after property owners and the city of Madison objected.

In other business, the council approved an agreement with the village of Fairmont City to house prisoners for its police department, which recently

curtailed dispatching and jail operations to cut operating expenses.

The agreement, at a cost of \$20 per day per prisoner, is similar to one with the Pontoon Beach Police Department.

The city has also reached an agreement with the Illinois Terminal Railroad Association to dispatch its officers, who had been dispatched by Fairmont City.

Hearing slated for July 14

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increment financing district — \$565,000; liability insurance — 277,500; and two capital improvement projects — \$500,000.

In a related matter, the council approved an estimated anticipated revenue document showing revenues of \$2,487,190.

The largest sources of the city's income comes from a utility tax — \$27,000; sales tax — \$345,000; and state income tax — \$304,000.

In other business, the council approved an ordinance allowing reimbursement transfers from special funds to the general funds without council approval.

In many cases, the city uses general fund monies to pay bills for special accounts, then transfers money from the special account. City officials hope the new ordinance will help streamline that process. The council also approved allowing the Fire Department to bid on new and used fire trucks.

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One of the answers, I believe, is in the words of a dear friend of mine who said, "Time is relative to our obedience to God. He can stretch it, as we obey His will." The value of time isn't in how many years we have on earth but what we do with our lives.

By putting God first in our lives and walking with Him according to His plan, we are living a life full of purpose. He can take a second and turn it into eternity.

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Catherine Galasso

relationship with Him a priority. Set time aside to be alone to express your own thoughts and feelings. Take just five minutes to pray and ask God to expand your hours. As you go about your day, if a worry or problem arises, stop for a moment and think, "Father, is this the right thing to do?" Then, leave the issue in His hands. Hour by hour you will feel relieved, loved and protected.

Take a moment before every

meal to say "thank you" for the food on the table. My husband and I hold hands and pray together before we go off to work. Things always turn out better when we begin our day with prayer and thanksgiving.

Live each day as if your life had just begun. There are no dress rehearsals for life.

"Time is so precious," says Debra Sticht of Hartford, Conn., "consider it a gift. Cherish this moment. Every second is a new opportunity to live a better way. When do you start? The time is now."

Do not be careless. Spend your minutes wisely. When you are tempted to speed recklessly, remember this advice from a reader: "Go slow, take your time. It is better to lose one minute in your life than to lose a life in one minute."

You create your future by what you do in this day. The best preparation for tomorrow

is the right use of today.

You will find out that God knows how busy and rushed you are. But know that you can have enough time for all you have to do by reading Ecclesiastes 3:1-8:

"There is a time for everything, a season for every activity under heaven: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing, a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, a time to be silent and a time to speak, a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace."

Make every moment with your loved ones a time of sparkling joy. Take time to look deep into the eyes of love, to embrace the beauty all around you, and to sing and laugh. Take time to heal, and if you yield to Him your trust and obedience, Ecclesiastes 3:11 says, "He has made everything beautiful in His time."

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Area woman has spent 3 decades helping others

By Jason White
Staff writer

After three decades with the state's welfare agency, Darlene

EAST ST. LOUIS Roy has seen many changes. Perhaps the most dramatic change has taken place in the past year, as state agencies adopted federal welfare reform legislation.

As the local office administrator in East St. Louis, Roy supervises 77 employees at two offices that serve 3,000-4,000 people a month.

In some cases, people who never have worked or who have limited job skills must find a job in two or five years. Cash assistance is cut off after the time limit expires.

"We have a really big task — ensuring that welfare reform legislation is implemented... and helping them understand that welfare is no longer an entitlement," Roy said. "They must do something to remove the barriers that keep them from becoming self-sufficient."

"You're changing attitudes," she said. "We want to open them up to the challenge of stepping out of that confined box."

To accomplish the task, the Department of Human Services helps families work out a plan for finding a job.

DHS staff members ask about a family's strengths and weaknesses, and help clients connect with social services.

"We have a more active role in the community working with other community-based organizations, because we're all in this together," Roy said.

The department also helps clients with secondary education or GED classes, vocational training and employment barriers such as transportation and child care.

Caseworkers follow up to make sure clients keep their jobs once they have been hired.

"We find that we don't have problems getting clients jobs. The problem is keeping them there," Roy said.

"We are really helping people, not just kicking them off," she said. "Illinois has always been on the cutting edge of providing assistance that will really help people."

Developing potential is also the goal of the Eugene B. Redmond Writer's Club, which Roy helped found in 1986 with Eugene Redmond, the poet laureate of East St. Louis and an English professor at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

"You're changing attitudes. We want to open them up to the challenge of stepping out of that confined box."

Darlene Roy

The club meets twice a month and hosts annual literary events. Roy and Redmond also are editors of

Drumvoices, a literary magazine published by SIUE. Roy, who lives in Fairview Heights, grew up in East St.

Louis and still considers it home. Her poems are often based on observations of daily life and her family.

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When watering plants, don't overdo it. Too much can be as harmful as too little. When the soil is uniformly moist, that's it.

When it comes to irrigating the lawn, it's not much different. We don't expect you to go around poking your finger into the lawn, however. Instead, use this simple guideline. A lawn needs about an inch or so of water per week, in the form of one good, thorough soaking. Any more than that is wasteful.

It's not necessary to water the lawn every day. In fact, lightly watering the lawn daily is far less beneficial to the lawn than one good soak once a week.

Oftentimes communities place water restrictions into effect throughout the summer, depending on the situation. A common method is to permit outdoor watering on alternate days, depending on addresses. Odd-numbered addresses can water on odd-numbered days, even addresses on even. As we said, lawns don't need water every day, so outdoor watering every other day doesn't pose a problem.

How effective is irrigating your lawn? Very. Farmers across the country know all too well. If you've ever flown over Iowa and Nebraska, for example, you may have noticed the huge green circles of land below.

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Wise water use also includes maintaining your hoses, sprinklers and plumbing system. Leaky hoses and faucets, besides wasting water, always tend to aim their stream in the least desirable place. If you find any leaks, start off with the cheapest and easiest repair; replace the rubber washers. If that doesn't do the trick, new hose connectors are readily available.

When your faucet decides to go haywire, it's a little more involved, if replacing washers doesn't stop the leak. If you're not familiar with the finer points of faucets and pipes, by all means have a plumber fix things up. They make it look easy, but it really isn't.

We've mentioned this before, but it's worth a repeat. Try not to water your lawn in the mid-afternoon sun. It's a real water-waster. You may believe you're doing the best thing for the lawn by showering it at 2 in the afternoon, but you're not. The water will evaporate before it has a chance to soak down to the roots, where it needs to be.

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Community calendar

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ST. ELIZABETH MEDICAL CENTER'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYSTEM is presenting a talk entitled, "Chemical Dependency: What it is and What it isn't" at 7:30 p.m. July 14. The speaker will be Warren Neal, of the Behavioral Health System and will be held in the Welsman Room at SEMC. The talk is free and open to the public. For more information or to register, call 798-3888.

Organizations

GRANITE CITY BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN meet at Jerry's Cafeteria with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

on third Wednesday of each month, followed by a program at 7:15 p.m. Open to the public. For more information call 452-5391 or 451-6914.

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SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS, a hereditary group for descendants over age 12 of Confederate veterans, meets every third Thursday of every month at Ravanello's Restaurant in Granite City. Call 677-3065 for more information.

THE SARAH AND DORCAS CIRCLES OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP meet at 9:30 a.m. the third Thursday of each month. For more information and/or meeting location, call Helen Stumpe at 931-2096.

THE RUTH CIRCLE OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP meets at 7 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. For more information and/or meeting location, call Helen Stumpe at 931-2096.

LYDIA CIRCLE of Nameoki United Methodist Church meets at 1 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. For more information phone, 877-1938.

CAMERA EXPLORERS CLUB, Hartford Public Library, 143 W. Hawthorne St., 7 p.m., third Monday of each month. Call Beverly Zager, 254-9394.

TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL meets the first, third and fifth Tuesday of the month from 7 to 9 p.m. at Shoney's, Highway 157 in Collinsville. Come join us for better communication and leadership skills. For more information call 692-6026 or 344-2898.

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TER RESCUE TEAM meets at 7 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month at 4864 Old Alton Road next to the Mitchell Fire Protection Department. Tours are available by appointment, 931-8317 or write to the above address.

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TRIPLE LODGE 835 A.F. and A.M. meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Masonic Temple, 1940 Cleveland Blvd. in Granite City.

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CITY SENIOR SOCIAL CLUB meets at

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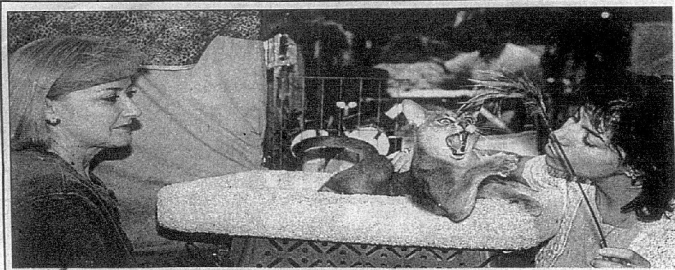
PARENTS' ANONYMOUS GROUP meets 5:30-8:30 p.m., first and third Thursday of each month. For information on where meeting will be held, call Elaine Seary at 462-2714 or Lyle Cubberty at 876-2382.

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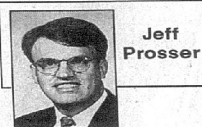
OBSESSIVE/COMPULSIVE DISORDER SUPPORT GROUP meets 10 a.m. the third Saturday of each month at Von Gontard Conference Center at St. John's Mercy Medical Center, 815 South New Ballas Road. Meeting is free and open to OCD patients, family and friends. For information call (314) 942-7229.



Fancy cats

Scores of cat fanciers gathered at Collinsville's Gateway Center last weekend for the Abyssinian Midwest Breeders Cat Show. Above, Beth Newkirk, left, of Fairview Heights watches Adrienne Jackson of St. Charles, Ill., play with Merlin, a blue Abyssinian. Both of them are members of the show committee. At left, Gloria Mann of Troy checks out cat related items for sale at the show.

Financial focus Investors can find plenty of good advice in books



Jeff Prosser

In today's world, investing is as pervasive as oxygen. Pick up a newspaper or magazine, turn on the TV or answer the telephone, and you'll find someone promoting the latest and greatest way to achieve financial security.

However, there are a few real pearls of wisdom amid all the hype. Some of these gems can be found in the bookstore.

For example, "One Up on Wall Street" by Peter Lynch is an easy-to-read book that shows ordinary investors how to pick good stocks. The former manager of one of the nation's largest mutual funds, Lynch says the average investor "can pick stocks just as well, if not better, than the average Wall Street expert."

"One Up on Wall Street" is sprinkled with amusing personal stories of how Lynch missed golden opportunities by focusing on trendy stocks. More importantly, he talks about his success. Lynch encourages readers to be aware of companies that are successfully filling the needs of people. He also provides solid advice on financial planning before you ever invest a dime in stocks. "One Up on Wall Street" is fun with a message.

Benjamin Graham's "The Intelligent Investor" is

classic reading for the serious investor.

First published in 1949 and updated in 1973, "The Intelligent Investor" provides timeless advice.

Graham views buying securities like owning a business. Know the business, get involved in its operation, understand its profit-making potential, trust your instincts and judgment and much more. "The Intelligent Investor" is filled with logical advice that never grows old.

"The Investor's Anthology" by Charles Ellis and James Vertain offers firsthand accounts from experts such as Warren Buffet, Ben Graham, T. Rowe Price and others. Between its covers, you'll find real-life stories of investing success and defeats, popular misconceptions and foolish mistakes. A candid look at the experiences of some of the most successful investors of our time, "The Investor's Anthology" is

entertaining and instructional.

"Common Stocks and Uncommon Profits and Other Writings" by Philip A. Fisher answers many of the most common investing questions. You'll find proven advice in this book, including Fisher's "Top 10 Don'ts for Investors." A pioneer of modern investment theory, Fisher introduced his ideas 40 years ago, and most of today's widely accepted philosophies can be traced to his genius.

Finally, "The Millionaire Next Door" by Thomas J. Stanley is probably one of the most motivational books on investing. This column first discussed this book back in September 1997.

Since then, it has made best-seller lists everywhere. "Millionaire" tells us becoming wealthy is within the reach of everyone and suggests specific ways to start. Stanley's studies prove that hard work, frugality and a rigid investment plan can, and do, make millionaires out of ordinary people.

Invest a little money and spare time in some great reading, and you'll be rewarded with increased confidence and expanded investing knowledge.

District plans Indiana trip

The Granite City Park District's sixth extended trip of the year will be to Indiana.

The quiet surroundings of Bearcreek Farms, with dining, lodging, live entertainment, shopping and recreational activities, will be the destination. The Aug. 17-19 trip will feature The Jan Garber Orchestra in a Big Band Concert at the Farm on the night of arrival.

All of the activities are within the bounds of the 200-acre farm located near Bryant, Ind., which is described by many to be "Indiana's best kept secret."

The second day of the trip will include side trips to the Ft. Wayne area.

The group will head for home after breakfast on the third day with a stop at Abbott's Candy Shop in Hagerstown for a tour.

Residents of the Park District will have priority in making the trip, with non-residents being placed on a waiting list and notified one week later of availability.

Non-residents in line will be placed on the list immediately with those wishing to register by phone may do so after noon the first day of sign up. The trip will go on sale at 8 a.m. July 8 in the Wilson Park Ice-Rink. The cost of the three days is \$220 for a single reservation, \$196 per person for two to a room, \$180 each for three to a room and \$175 each for a quad.

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favorite games; duck pond, putt putt golf, skiball, roller bowling and five-pin bowling. But wait, they'll also have "Moonwalk" and something perfect for a hot, summer day. Tickets will be available for a raffle. Kids will love participating in an autograph session with the WB 11 KIDS Club Crew, Laura, George and Gabe from 2-4 P.M. Children's Fun Fair is located in Foxborough Estates in St. Charles, 1 mi. north of I-10 and Truman Road, just off of Eblmann Rd.

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7:30am Captain Plane	7:30am Superman
8:00am Mummies Alive	8:00am In Between: The Series
8:30am Extreme Dogbusters	8:30am New Adventures of Batman and Superman
9:00am Channel Uppes 3 TV	9:30am Pinky & the Brain
	10:00am Animaniacs
	10:30am Sylvester & Tweedy Mysteries
	11:00am All Dogs Go To Heaven(E)
	11:30am Voltaire, Shrink The Dude
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3:00pm Mr. Magoo	7:30am Dragon Ball
3:30pm Bugs 'n' Daffy Show	8:00am Zorro
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Heavy metal

Metal bats help college teams assault record book

If ever there was reason to end the use of metal bats in baseball, the June NCAA Division I championship game score — Southern Cal 21, Arizona State 14 — should do it.

In case you missed the telecast of the game that featured 14 runs in the first



Art Voelinger
Sports Views

three innings and 16 in the last three and a total of 39 hits, including nine home runs at Rosenblatt Stadium in Omaha, Neb., there were one heck of a lot of pings.

No wonder major league pitching is screwed up. How can anyone survive growing up facing a world of metal? And, in case you did not see replays of Baltimore pitcher Mike Mussina being struck in the face by a line drive off a big league wooden bat, just imagine what Mark McGwire would do with a metal bat.

Notice I refer to metal because there's everything from aluminum to titanium to what one bat manufacturer refers to as "carbon-core technology combined with scandium alloy walls."

I'm not a chemist, but last spring I asked O'Fallon High School freshman baseball coach Doug Haas, who also happens to be a long-time slow-pitch softball slugger, if technology was continuing to improve the metal bats.

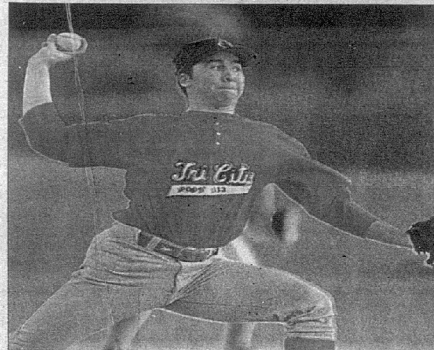
"I've heard of some players adding as much as 10 to 20 feet distance to their hitting," said Haas, who referred to baseball and softball players.

Thanks to Doug, I also received a price list from a southern Illinois sporting goods store whose range for metal bats was from \$129 to \$300. The latter tag was for the DeMarini 2X double wall baseball bat featuring Alcoa aluminum alloy, double wall technology and an urethane end plug.

That weapon also is within the minus-five ratio for high school and college baseball, meaning you could purchase one of 32-inch length and 27 ounces or go as high as 34 inches, 29 ounces.

When aluminum bats became vogue in the 1970s and I was coaching freshmen baseball, I'm sure the thought was related to cost-cutting. I recall in those days a price of about \$25 compared to as much as \$10 or \$12 for a wooden bat.

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Junior Legion clash

The Tri-City and Collinsville American Legion junior teams hooked up Wednesday night. AT LEFT: Tri-City pitcher Devin Mayes delivers to home plate. AT RIGHT: Collinsville's Justin Volkmer holds Tri-City's Aaron Hoback on first base. Junior Legion pitching statistics appear on Page 2B.



John Swistak Jr. photos

Collinsville drops tourney opener

Post 365 fails to produce timely hits in 9-3 loss to Jerseyville

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

Collinsville Post 365 seems to have all the right ingredients for a perfect baseball team.

- If Post 365 skipper Steve Helmkamp were mixing up a recipe, he could rely on:
 - a strong pitching staff.
 - solid and experienced outfield.
 - a great infield.
 - strong basic fundamentals.
 - winning attitude.

• a deadly hitting lineup. However, with any recipe, if one important ingredient is left out, the end product can leave a bad taste.

While Post 365 mixed in the above ingredients Thursday morning in the opening game of the Tournament of Champions, Collinsville forgot to add some timely hitting.

Collinsville blew three golden scoring opportunities with a runner on third base and dropped a 9-3 decision to Jerseyville Post 492.

"It's the same deal. We don't seem to have a killer instinct," Helmkamp said.

"We're trying to get over that. We're trying to get over the negativism and try to keep everything positive. I don't know what to think."

"We have not had consistency up and down the order. You saw it. We aren't driving in any runs. It was a tough game. The guy (Doug Steinkuehler) was a good pitcher. He threw hard and had a good breaking pitch. We didn't hit anything. So far we haven't proven that we're very good against good pitching, especially in

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Buds flavor Mon-Clair all-stars

Team plays Thursday vs. collegians

Special to the Journal

Unbeaten in 21 games, including a third consecutive Prairie State Games title, the Waterloo Buds understandably dominated the Mon-Clair men's

baseball League all-star selection for the Thursday game against the Metro Collegian all-stars at the Saugei Field.

A total of nine Waterloo players were named to the 25-man squad that marks the first time in league history the M-C League will oppose another league rather than play a divisional all-star game.

"We've sent our divisional winner against the Clinton County League years ago (1966-72), but never matched our league against another," said Mon-Clair president Mel Patton. "This should prove a most interesting game because the Collegians represent the best the St. Louis area has to offer."

Although Waterloo posted a 10-0 league record entering

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ALL-JOURNAL GIRLS SOCCER TEAM



John Swistak Jr. photo
Collinsville senior Tasha Siegel holds the school's career and single-season goal-scoring marks.

Snubbings motivate Siegel in Kahoks' run to state tourney

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

Collinsville High senior Tasha Siegel feels a bit of redemption these days.

Metro East girls soccer coaches selected Siegel as the Player of the Year for the Journal Newspapers of Southern Illinois. The selection comes a month after she felt slighted in not being named to the all-state squad despite leading the Metro East in scoring with 33 goals and eight assists for the state quarterfinalist Kahoks.

"I was kind of surprised (being named Player of the Year)," Siegel said. "I was kind of hoping to make all-state so this was something to bring up my confidence a little bit. I am really excited."

(Coach) Deana (Wallace) came to practice and said we had three people who either made all-state or all-sectional. I kind of thought, maybe I had made all-state but then I made honorable mention. I didn't even make the all-sectional team either. It was a little disappointing."

And it became part of an odd pattern this spring for a player who set her school's career and single-season goal-scoring marks. She was not even selected to the all-Southwestern Conference's first team.

"I made the all-conference second team and that was kind of disappointing, too," Siegel said she learned of being snubbed on

the all-sectional and all-state teams right before the IHSA playoffs began.

Those disappointments actually served as a motivator for Siegel. She put on a scoring clinic during the postseason tournament with 12 goals in six games.

"It made me want to play a lot harder and proved to everybody that I could do it," Siegel said.

Wallace added, "That just tells you how hard she worked. She scored 12 goals in the playoffs. That shows how much she wanted it and how dedicated she was and how determined she was to go to state."

One of those 12 goals came in the quarterfinal of the state tournament — a 5-2 loss to Lincoln-Way. However, her biggest postseason tally came against Quincy Notre Dame in the Granite City Super-Sectional.

Collinsville and Quincy Notre Dame had played more than 90 minutes of scoreless soccer and were deep into the second overtime period when Siegel scored at around the 36th minute.

"That was probably our most exciting game," Siegel said. "I played so much defense that game. Deana didn't tell me to, I just did for some reason."

"All I was thinking about was going into

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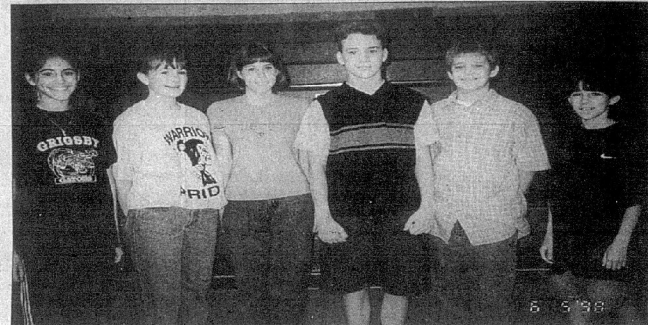
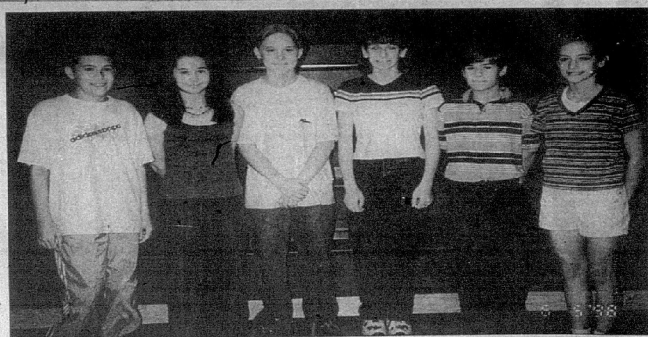
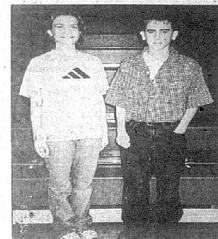
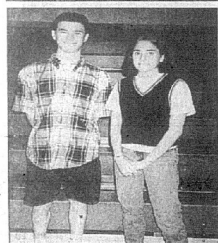
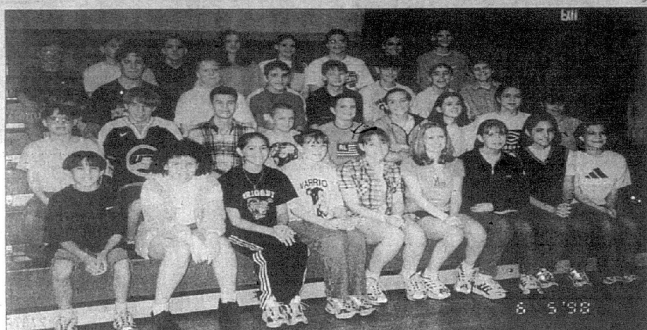
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Choice students

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Stone garners U of I Academic Excellence Award

Sarah E. Stone, daughter of John D. and Betty A. Stone of Granite City, graduated from the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine at Urbana with a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree on May 18. The College of Veterinary Medicine is one of only 27 veterinary schools in the United States.

Stone and her fellow graduates in the class of 1998 studied both large animal and small animal veterinary medicine during the four-year professional degree program. At least two years of college coursework are required before students can apply for admission to the program.

Stone joined the Animal Emergency Center in June.

At the spring awards program in April, Stone received the College of Veterinary Medicine Award for Academic Excellence for ranking second in her veterinary class. The award is funded by donations made by alumni and friends to the College of Veterinary Medicine Achievement Fund. She also won the Merck AgVet Award for graduating with high honors. This award is sponsored by Merck AgVet.

Stone graduated from Granite City Senior High School in Granite City. While at the College of Veterinary Medicine, she was a member of the Illinois Student Chapter of the American Veterinary Medical Association, American Association of Feline Practitioners, Illinois Association for Aquatic Animal Medicine and Phi Zeta Honor Society. She received the Richard Dierks Veterinary Alumni Scholarship, the Illinois General Assembly Scholarship and the Ciba Geigy Award for Excellence in Parasitology.

The College of Veterinary Medicine is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year.



Dr. Sarah Stone, left, and Dr. V.E. Valli, dean of the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine

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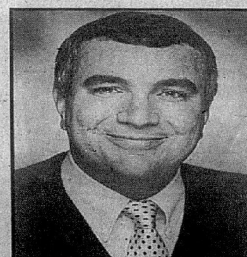
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Mathes honored

Eight Millikin University juniors and seniors were awarded prestigious Scovill Prizes and two faculty members were honored at the annual Honors Convocation and Distinguished Faculty Lecture Thursday held recently in Millikin's Kirkland Fine Arts Center.

Among those honored were junior political science major Jason Mathes of Granite City.

Murphy helps Disney triumph again

Animated 'Mulan' packed with adventure, catchy tunes

In Disney's delightful animated adventure "Mulan," a young Chinese woman sets out to repel invading Huns and ends up capturing viewers' hearts.

Along the way, the audience is treated to a fast-paced story laced with catchy tunes and occasionally startling animation.

And if you're wondering if anybody could match Robin Williams' performance as the voice of the gentle in "Aladdin," the answer is yes: Eddie Murphy makes his mark as a fast-talking, wisecracking, pint-sized dragon who plays sidekick to the title character.

Living in ancient times, Mulan is a disaster at the task her society has imposed on her: mastering the social graces she needs to attract a husband. She seems part klutz and part victim of bad luck.

It's only when she joins the Emperor's army as a secret stand-in for her ailing father that she comes into her own. Overcoming self-doubt and discouragement, Mulan proves brainy enough to stop a horde of invaders single-handedly, and strong enough to ride her horse into danger and pluck her strapping commander away from certain doom.

Mulan is beyond plucky; she's genuinely heroic. And she doesn't need a sappy love story in her movie. Yes, she sure likes that handsome guy she saves, and once he finds out her gender he becomes interested in her. But there are no lingering love scenes here.



Cri-Kee the cricket, Mushu the guardian dragon, Mulan and her trusty steed, Khan, in a scene from Walt Disney Pictures' "Mulan."

Mulan and Captain Shang finally get together at the end of the movie, and viewers can take it from there in their imaginations.

On the other hand, viewers don't have to imagine 2,000 Huns charging on horseback because Disney's computers provide that scene in a breathtaking feat of animation. The charge is seen from above, and you see not only the horses and riders but also their shadows on the snow. The effect is so realistic you wonder if Disney has deftly

slipped in some footage from a Cecil B. DeMille epic.

Another nice animation touch: The way flags flap is hypnotic.

While Murphy delivers a knockout performance as the voice of Mushu the dragon, other voices bring formidable talent too. Mulan's speaking voice comes from Ming-Na Wen, who played June in the film version of "The Joy Luck Club." Her songs, including a memorable tune called "Reflections," are sung by Lea Salonga, who did the same for

Jackie Chan in "Aladdin."

The movie, produced by Pam Coats and directed by Barry Cook and Tony Bancroft, is rated G. While some of the battle scenes might frighten very young children, they are brief. And this movie appeals to boys as well as girls. During a recent screening, three boys, ages 7 to 11, were riveted. "Five thousand million thumbs up," the 7-year-old declared later. What more can a grown-up say?

— Associated Press

Horoscope

SUNDAY, JULY 7

The gregarious Leo moon continues to smile upon both tender Venus and decisive Mars in clever Gemini, creating a flirty atmosphere. People will be more open to the opposite sex while airy Gemini fans the sexy fires of the Leo moon. Look your best — there's no telling who you may end up chatting with under these sociable skies.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 7). Your initiative and enthusiasm will be the determining factor of your success and happiness. Opportunities are plentiful, and the results are up to you. Happy relationships and exciting events in the next six weeks will set the tone for the year. October and January are marriage and/or windfall months. Couples have babies next April. Your lucky numbers are 2, 16, 43 and 49.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Forgo flattery in favor of honest, sincere appreciation. A newfound friend is about to become very important and will turn to you for information and advice. Keep the arrangement clandestine.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll find a surprising source of income. Dreams and exploration enhance love. Financial commitments firm up before the weekend is over. A long-distance phone call will be lucky. Plan to ask for help at work.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Answers that come from behind the scenes will lead to a career change for the better. A new friend will reveal romantic interest in you. Be cautious, as an unpredictable element exists.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You will become more comfortable with recent changes in your lifestyle. An altruistic endeavor proves to be a bust — try again next week. Don't let a relationship suffer in the name of compromise or pride.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A quiet project will relieve the stress that has been constricting you. Spend time with like-minded people. Act of generosity will be appreciated more than you know. Hire help so you can relax.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your accomplishment has led to restlessness, even boredom. A creative U-turn will send you on a renewed mission. Accept an invitation to party.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Happiness that seems too perfect and too intense to endure can last if you under stand its roots. Romance for something real that will grow and surprise you. Someone resides where you least expect it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). If you think the weekend will get no wilder, you are mistaken. Enjoy the night life. Others will find you irresistible sexy! Don't forget to give family special attention this weekend.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Seek a peaceful setting to ponder your recent successes or read a good book. The out doors may satisfy the "forest dweller" in you. Scholastic achievement makes you more viable. Taurus will find you intriguing.

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Among the instructors are Heidi Von Weitzsch-Schmidt of O'Fallon.

The cost of the workshop, including a hotel room, with breakfast and lunch is \$2,791. A one-week course also is available. Class sizes are limited.

For more information, write IADA, 110 Ruth Dr., O'Fallon, Ill. 62269, or call 628-0167.

Movie schedules

Film timetable for Sunday, July 5. For times on other days or to confirm these times, check local theaters.

CARMIE PETITE
170 and Hwy. 157, Collinsville, Ill. 344-1700

Mulan (G) 1:10, 3:10, 5:10, 7:10, 9:10
The Truman Show (PG) 1:00, 3:15, 7:00, 9:15
Dr. Dolittle (PG-13) 1:00, 3:20, 7:00, 9:20
Armageddon (PG-13) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00

COTTONWOOD EDWARDSVILLE CINEMA
Edwardsville, Ill. 656-6390

Carl's Hardly Wait (PG-13) 2:00, 7:00, 9:30
Titanic (PG-13) 2:30, 7:30

City Of Angels (PG-13) 2:15, 7:15, 9:50

LINCOLN THEATER
103 E. Main, Belleville, Ill. 233-0123

Paulie (G) 2:00, 7:00
Good Will Hunting (R) 8:55
Lost in Space (PG-13) 1:45, 7:10, 9:35

He Got Game (R) 1:50, 7:00, 9:35

NAMEOKI CINEMA
30 Nameok Village, 877-6639

Godzilla (PG-13) 2:00, 6:45, 9:40
Hope Floats (PG-13) 2:15, 7:15, 9:50

O'FALLON 15 CINE
1320 Central Park Dr., O'Fallon, Ill. 822-4880

Out Of Sight (R) 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 8:00
Out Of Sight (R) 1:15, 4:15, 7:05, 9:45
The Truman Show (PG) 12:45, 3:15, 6:45, 9:00

Armageddon (PG-13) 12:45, 4:00, 7:15, 9:30

QUAD CINEMA
Belleville, Ill. 233-1220

Dr. Dolittle (PG-13) 12:15, 2:20, 4:30, 6:45, 9:00
Armageddon (PG-13) 12:45, 4:00, 7:00, 10:10
Mulan (G) 12:00, 2:10, 4:20, 6:30, 8:45

The X-Files (PG-13) 1:00, 4:10, 7:15, 9:50

ROXANA CINE THEATER
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The Truman Show (PG) 2:00, 7:00
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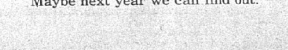
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